

1 STEVEN WAYNE BONILLA,

2 Plaintiff,

3 v.

4 JUDGE VINCE G. CHHABRIA, et. al.,

5 Defendants.

6 Case Nos. [20-cv-09392-PJH](#)

7 [20-cv-09419-PJH](#)

8 [21-cv-00449-PJH](#)

9 [21-cv-00473-PJH](#)

10 [21-cv-00476-PJH](#)

11 [21-cv-00535-PJH](#)

12 [21-cv-00536-PJH](#)

13 [21-cv-00576-PJH](#)

14 **ORDER DISMISSING MULTIPLE  
CASES WITH PREJUDICE**

15 Plaintiff, a state prisoner, has filed multiple pro se civil rights complaints under 42  
16 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff is a condemned prisoner who also has a pending federal habeas  
17 petition in this court with appointed counsel. See *Bonilla v. Ayers*, Case No. 08-0471  
18 YGR. Plaintiff is also represented by counsel in state court habeas proceedings. See *In*  
19 *re Bonilla*, Case No. 20-2986 PJH, Docket No. 1 at 7.

20 In these civil rights cases plaintiff names as defendants' various federal and state  
21 court judges and several municipalities. Plaintiff presents very similar claims in these  
22 cases. He seeks relief regarding his underlying conviction or how his various pro se  
23 habeas petitions and other cases were handled by the state and federal courts.

24 To the extent that plaintiff seeks to proceed *in forma pauperis* (IFP) in these cases,  
25 he has been disqualified from proceeding IFP under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g) unless he is  
26 "under imminent danger of serious physical injury" at the time he filed his complaint. 28  
27 U.S.C. 1915(g); *In re Steven Bonilla*, Case No. 11-3180 CW; *Bonilla v. Dawson*, Case  
28 No. 13-0951 CW.

The allegations in these complaints do not show that plaintiff was in imminent danger at the time of filing. Therefore, he may not proceed IFP. Moreover, even if an IFP application were granted, his lawsuits would be barred under *Heck v. Humphrey*, 512 U.S. 477, 486-87 (1994), *Younger v. Harris*, 401 U.S. 37, 43-54 (1971), *Demos v. U.S. District Court*, 925 F.2d 1160, 1161-62 (9th Cir. 1991) or *Mullis v. U.S. Bankruptcy Court*, 828 F.2d 1385, 1393 (9th Cir. 1987). Accordingly, the cases are dismissed with prejudice.

Furthermore, these are not cases in which the undersigned judge's impartiality might be reasonably questioned due to the repetitive and frivolous nature of the filings. See *United States v. Holland*, 519 F.3d 909, 912 (9th Cir. 2008) (absent legitimate reasons to recuse himself or herself, a judge has a duty to sit in judgment in all cases assigned to that judge).

The clerk shall terminate all pending motions and close these cases. The clerk shall return, without filing, any further documents plaintiff submits in these closed cases.

# **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: January 27, 2021

/s/ Phyllis J. Hamilton  
PHYLLIS J. HAMILTON  
United States District Judge